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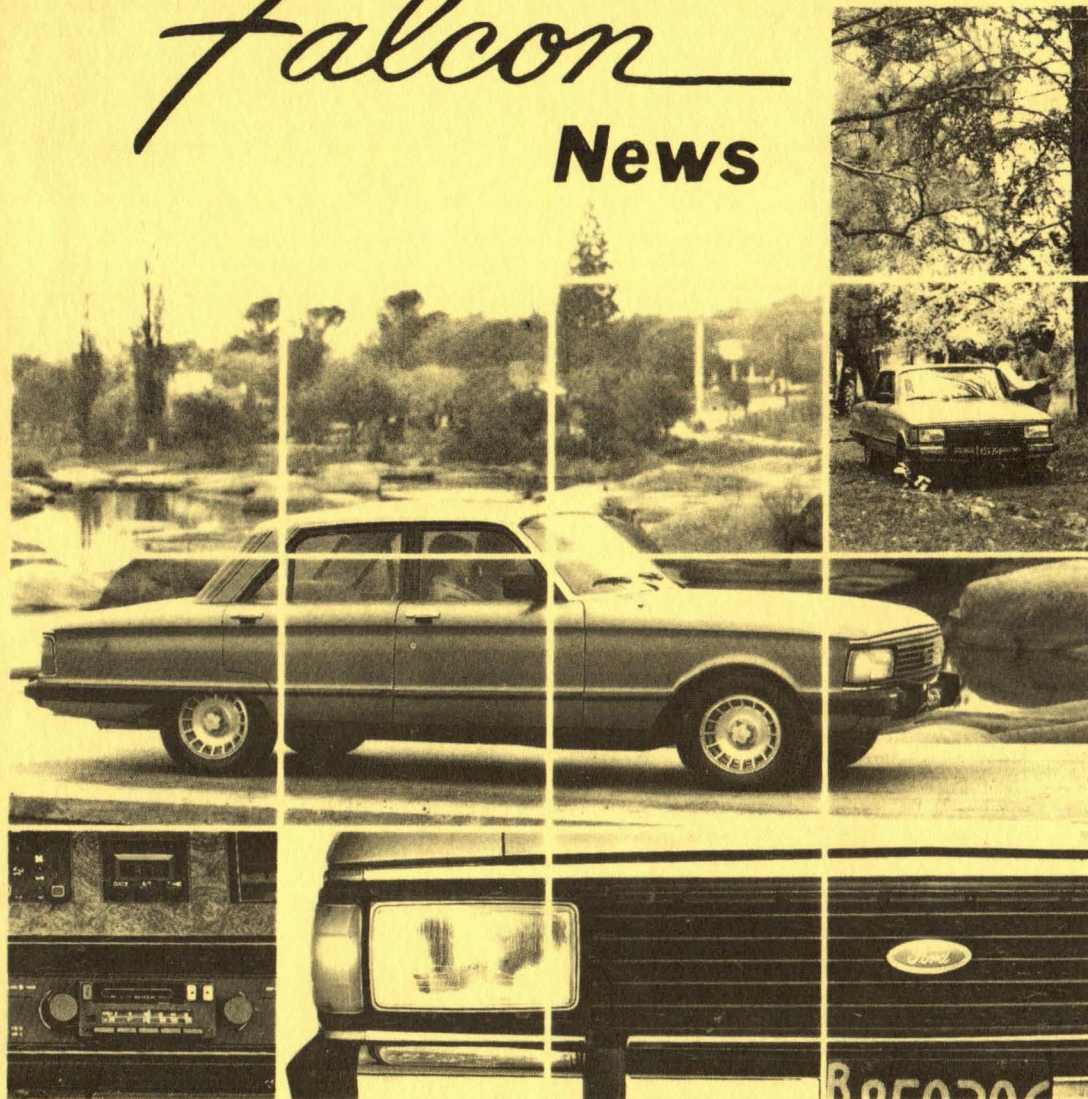
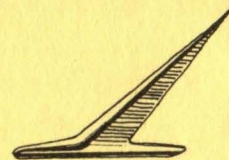
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THE FALCON NEWS is published monthly with information from its members. All ads must be sent to the Editor by the 10th of the month, with a limit of 2 ads per member per issue. Each ad must appear in a different section of the classified ads. The FCA will not be held responsible for errors. Legitimate errors will be corrected in the next issue when requested.

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THE CLUB STORE ITEMS

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| Memo Pad ("Falcon Club of America" imprint)..... | \$.75 |
| Decal (National Club window decal)..... | 1.25 |
| Patches: National Club Patch (3" round)..... | 2.25 |
| Ford Falcon (oval, blue & gold)..... | 2.25 |
| Falcon (rectangular, 2" x 4", red & gold)..... | 2.25 |
| 1960-1963 Reproduction shop manuals (includes V-8 section)..... | 30.00 |
| Falcon Club of America license plate (white with red writing)..... | 4.50 |
| Falcon Book (By Ray Miller, covers all Falcons-has 320 pages-hardcover)..... | 30.00 |
| Falcon Book (By Phil Cottrill, covers 60-63 Falcons has 150 pages)..... | 16.00 |
| Falcon Poster (24" x 36", has 28 color pictures of Falcons)..... | 4.00 |
| Falcon Fender Covers (24" x 40", with Falcon imprint)..... | 15.00 |
| Hat (New all red with National club patch on front)..... | 7.50 |
| T-shirts: Regular (sizes, child S-M-L, adult S-M-L-XL)..... | 6.50 |
| V-Neck (sizes, adult L-XL only)..... | 8.50 |
| Ladies Blouses (sizes S-M-L)..... | 9.50 |
| Sweat shirts (mens and ladies, grey with red imprint)..... | 12.50 |

All prices include postage and handling. Be sure to state size. All checks and money orders should be made to The Falcon Club of America. Send all orders to Pat Sword, Tour Chairman, 629 N. Hospital Drive, Jacksonville, AR, 72076.

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Falcon News will now accept Commercial Ads for the newsletter. They must be sent to the Editor. All ads must be received by the 10th of the month or it will appear in the next issue of the Falcon News. Payment must accompany all ads.

All ads for the classified section of the newsletter must appear with the member's name or it is considered a commercial ad and must be paid for.

ALL ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY. ADS WILL APPEAR IN THE FALCON NEWS ONLY WHERE SPACE PERMITS.

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| COMMERCIAL AD RATES: | FULL PAGE..... | \$50.00 |
| (Price per month) | HALF PAGE..... | 30.00 |
| | QUARTER PAGE..... | 20.00 |
| | BUSINESS CARD..... | 5.00 |

Only auto related ads will be accepted for the Falcon News. "WARNING" The FCA has no way of checking each advertiser, so the FCA accepts no responsibility for any dealings with advertisers. Let us know of any experiences, good or bad. The Falcon Club has the right to reject any or all commercial ads.

Parts for Sale Continued

Service Manuals. All years Falcons, and lesser cars too. Please inquire your needs SASE. Jim Lungwitz, 1927 Brookdale Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80907 (303) 593-7029

One pair '60-63 Falcon stainless foxcraft fenderskirts \$70.00; One pair '64-65 Falcon stainless fenderskirts \$65.00; One pair '64-65 Falcon steel fenderskirts \$60.00; One pair '66-68 Falcon fenderskirts \$60.00; Two N.O.S. '65 Falcon 14" Spinners \$60.00. Jerry Wirthow, #678

'64-65 Falcon N.O.S. power steering pump C5DZ-3A674 BRM fits six cylinder. \$75.00 includes shipping.; FALCON V-8 or six cylinder spark plug wire sets. Factory made. \$9.95 set, add \$2.00 shipping per order.; FALCON carpet '62-'68 OEM Quality. \$110.00 set. Shipping included.; NEW FALCON books for Sale: Falcon by Ray Miller \$29.95; Ford Falcon '60-63 by Cottrill \$16.00; '63 Falcon owner's manual \$7.95; '60-63 Repro Shop manual \$24.95; '63-76 Falcon specification and pricing booklets \$5.95 per year. '61 Falcon shop manual (used) \$17.50. All prices include same day shipping.; N.O.S. '65 Falcon LH remote mirror C5DZ-17696 A \$75.00; '60 Falcon Rechrome bumper \$100.00. Shipping included. Ronald D. Miller #128, 6000 Q, St. Omaha, NE 68117 (402) 734-7557

Mike Mulhare and Joe Bassett are parting out go Falcons, '63-67 most parts reasonable as most will be junked come spring. Also '63 Fairlane V-8 three speed, O.D., SASE with wants. Joe Bassett, 123 Martin Pond Road, Groton, MA 01450 (617-448-6231

Many new, repro & used parts - Coming Soon, Quarter Window Weather Strips. Barby Brunted, 3236 Amhearst, Dallas, Texas 75225 (214) 361-0115 #85

Local junk yard just got in a '62 Comet 4-Door station wagon. Has good tailgate with power window. Roof. Many good parts. Send SASE with wants. Dick Smither, 1548 Greenwood Cem Road, Danville, IL 61832 #609

Fordomatic 2-speed rebuilding kits with gaskets, o'rings, lip seals, clutches (bronze frictions, steels) front and rear seals, sealing rings \$50.00. Specify engine size and year. Bands \$25 each, adjustable modulator \$6.00. Bushings, washers, pumps and miscellaneous hard parts available. Kits, bands, and parts available for small, medium case, C-4 and C-6. David Edwards, Box 245-FC, Needham Hgts., MA 02194 (617) 449-2065, evenings. #220

CHAPTER INFORMATIONCHAPTERSThe Dixieland Chapter

Fleming Horne, Jr., 7645 Memphis-Arlington Rd., Memphis, TN, 38124.

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Barby Brunken, 3236 Amherst, Dallas, TX, 75225, (Meets every third Sunday. For information call [212] 361-0115.)

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4 Faith Street, Burlington, VT, 05401.

OTHER CLUBS OF INTEREST

The Ford Falcon Club of San Diego, P. O. Box 3306, San Diego, CA, 92103.

The Ford Falcon Club of Los Angeles, 4724 N. Palmag, El Monte, CA, 91731.

The Ford Falcon Club of Arizona, 10209 N. 64th Street, Scottsdale, AZ, 85253.

Fairlane Club of America, 212A Pilgrim Ln., Drexel Hill, PA, 19026.

The Ranchero Club, 1339 Beverly Rd., Portvue, PA, 15133.

Comet Club, 2520 Homewood Place, White Bear Lake, MN, 55110.

NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS: The club will send out notices to each member the month before membership expires. Be sure to send your renewal in early to retain your original membership number. If you do not renew your membership within 90 days after it has expired, your membership number will be placed in the inactive file and will no longer be used by the club.

P.O. Box 141437
Opportunity Branch
Spokane, Wa. 99214 (509) 838-6184

C3DZ 5925622A Falcon Nameplate \$20.00; C2DZ 6440282G Letter U for underdeck \$3.00; CODF 10883B Temperature Indicator \$8.00; CODZ 3468B Suspension Lower Arm Repair \$8.00; C3DZ 16098A Falcon Nameplate \$20.00; C2DZ 13008D 1962 headlight bucket \$20.00, 1962 1/4 Futura Nameplate \$20.00, 1963 Plastic Visor Pin \$8.00. Used Parts: C2DZ 1130C '62-63 Futura Wheel Covers \$10.00-15.00 each; 1962 Cluster \$20.00; Standard '62 Wheel Covers \$30.00 set of 4. Frank G. Stewart, 3102 Jaeger Road, Lorain, Ohio 44053 (216) 282-6277 #33

CARS FOR SALE

'65 Falcon Ranchero, 6 cyl. automatic, runs and drives good, new tires, being used as winter car, passed state safety check. Title, bad news is the rust, floor needs to be patched. \$500.00 or make offer, will trade for Falcon promos. Joe Bassett (617) 448-6231.

Three '64-65 Rancheros, Very good to excellent \$2,200 to \$3,600. Four '63 convertibles - All 6's, 2-3 speed & 2-4 speed, excellent to restorable \$4,500 to \$700. Call or write for details. Must sell. Barby Brunken, 3236 Amherst, Dallas, Texas 75225 (214) 361-0115

'64 Falcon, 4-door, 6 cyl., 3 speed, Oklahoma rust free car. New paint, tires, clutch, battery. New upholstery. This is a good car for the Falcon nut to drive. \$1,200 CALC (617) 827-4888 ask for Don.

Two 1963 Futura Convertibles. One red (from North Carolina) - 6 cyl., standard-red bench, black top, running \$3,400. Other is black (from California) 6 cyl., automatic, red bucket seats, owned, driven and maintained for 5 years, \$3,900. Both cars stored in winter. Both complete. Frank G. Stewart, 3103 Jaeger Road, Lorain, Ohio 44053 (216) 282-6277

1963 Futura convertible automatic. Red with white top. New paint, new top, new tires. Wire flipper hub caps. Real nice, \$3,900. 1964 Ranchero, 6 cyl., stick, maroon white. Good tires. Some rust on rear quarters. Good mechanically, \$775. Jack Ridgeway, R.R. 1, Pinckneyville, Illinois 62274 (618) 357-8346.

1963 1/2 Falcon Sprint Conv., 260 V-8, automatic, power top. White/red engine runs, needs transmission work. Needs top and body work. Body is rust-free. \$800 or best offer. Elvin Albers, 18820-140th Ave., S.E., Renton, Washington 98055 (206) 255-5006 #1412

1964 1/2 Falcon Futura, exterior of car has been completely restored, and all mechanical parts on the car have been either replaced or rebuilt. Gold 289 engine rebuilt. The body and all mechanical parts of the car have only 14 miles on them. Original factory air. \$5,500. John Northington @ (314) 239-6992 or write 44 Berkshire Drive, Washington, MO 63090

EDITORIAL

I have received a thought-provoking letter from member Bob Dudek. I offer it here, along with an editorial response.

Dear Harold:

Thanks for the nice work on the Falcon News. It gets better all the time.

I would like to offer a suggestion in hopes of stimulating other members comments on this.

It seems that the thrust of the Falcon News is primarily the restoration to new condition of our beloved Falcons. 'Tis a noble ambition, and one that, no doubt, many of our members are into. However, I'm sure that many of them are like me, in that we own Falcons more for utility than for show. Many of us will never obtain a car that is the raw material for show.

People like us are more interested in stuff like: how to repair a stick-shift fulcrum pin after it has worked it's way completely out of the column housing; How to repair the fast-idle cam on the carburetor after the plastic gets 22 years old and breaks into; how to reshim the pulley ring back onto the front crank shaft hub after the shim material gets old and dry and too loose; How to make a tool that will pull the keeper pins out from behind the door handles and window cranks so's one can get inside the door and wonder how to invent a new plastic window roller wheel to replace the broken one; stuff like that.

I have some tips on problems like these and I'm sure others do as well. Is there any interest in improvisation, or is everyone else out there interested only in NOS, (whatever does NOS mean, anyway?)

Anyway, I'm curious to hear from some other members on this.

Yours truly,

Bob Dudek, #1015

Thanks for the constructive criticism, Bob. I think most car clubs do cater a bit much to the show-oriented members, perhaps including the Falcon Club. In defense of the Falcon News, I believe that a fair review of the back issues of the Falcon News--with special attention to the technical articles--do deal with everyday Falcon maintenance. I recall a particularly valuable one submitted by Howie Wheeler of Tolland CT., which dealt wit the annoying squeek in the upper "A" frame bushings.

My object as editor is to serve ALL members of the Falcon Club from those who cram ZL-1 Chevys into their '60 two door sedans, to those who have kept their '63 convertibles in inert gas since they came off of the assembly line. In between are guys like you and me who drive our cars to work every day. Irrespective of what particular interest an article is intended to serve, it has to originate somewhere. The Falcon News is pretty much at the mercy of the members as to content. Your raising the various questions in your letter is an excellent way to scare up information from our members.

Now to your questions: NOS means New Original Stock--sometimes called New Old Stock. It refers to original parts made by the original manufacturer and is used primarily to contrast with later-day reproduction parts, or with used parts. An NOS front fender means one made by FoMoCo and never installed on any car. Don't be deceived: some NOS stuff is still in production, however. The window rollers you mention are a good example. They are available in any parts store. Ask your parts man to see his Auveco catalog. You won't believe what all is available. How are you gonna get the handles off? With a fancy little item made by KD Tools, part number 431. Works like a charm.

You still pose several problems for which your editor has no answer. They are re-numbered here in hopes that a clever member will respond:

- 1) How to fix the fulcrum pin in the column shifter after it has worked its way out of the hole.
- 2) How to fix the plastic fast idle cam on the carb after it breaks.
- 3) How to reshim the pulley ring back on to the front crankshaft hub when the shim material is dried and worn out, etc. (I think Bob is talking about the outer ring on the harmonic balancer...?)

How bout it members? Especially you, the improvisors of our hobby???

This month we have a surprise feature submitted by Gene Makrancy Editor of the club publication of the Ranchero Club. Gene submitted this item some time ago, but it was apparently misrouted by the postal service. Gene put in quite a bit of work for the feature and we all owe him thanks.

CLASSIFIEDS

PARTS WANTED

'63 Convertible rocker mldgs., glove box, door safety catches, bottom door panel chrome trim, truck emblem. Paul White, 28 Okaloosa TR., Sorrento, FL 32776 #1472

Need N.O.S. or excellent used tail light bucket for '65 Ranchero. Dave Jones, Box 302 Paradox, CO 81429 (303) 859-7215 #528

To swap my mint condition "Cars of Oldsmobile"; for "Falcon! the new size Ford." Both publications sell from classic motorbooks at \$29.95. Clifton Drescher, 2248 Groover Road, Marietta, GA 30062 or call (404) 971-8477.

For 1963 1/2 Futura H.T., One left plastic dog leg for bucket seat, L&R good used inside door panels (Trim 87B), 1 pair Falcon script (open letter) N.O.S., for rear quarter panels. Write Robert Neill, Port Rd., Pulaski, N.Y. 13142 #1104

'62 Falcon, 2 door wagon 59A ornament on tailgate (good to excellent). All or any rubber for tailgate (excellent or N.O.S.) Rubbermat for bed - gray (good to excellent) Hood ornament (excellent or N.O.S.) Tailgate window handle (excellent or N.O.S.). Keith Grady, 4303 Britannia Road, Richmond, VA 23234 (804) 231-7561

Parts for 1964 Falcon Futura Convertible: Emergency brake cable (from handle to "Y"), Gas cap (all chrome), rear springs, front end rebuild kit, conv. boot in red, 13" spinner spoke hubcaps, foot operated windshield washer and attachments. Jon K. Arehart, 6605 Parkview Ter., Peoria, IL 61614 A/C (309) 691-6874 #1540

1963, 64 Sprint Air cleaner, top only, o.k. Gus Dessaulles, 8 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, Conn. 06379 (203) 599-2141

Wanted for '64 Sprint hardtop - Bucket seats, door panels and rear 1/4 panels, four arm rests, console (all in red). '64 grill. Most outside chrome. Sprint scribed for left side. All glass, chrome trim ring for shifter boot, radio plat, pair of rocker arm moldings, set of locks for doors, trunk and glove compartment, headliner in white, tachometer, self-regulating electric clock, remote control door mirror, contour-fitted door edge guards, trunk mat, Sprint V-8 chrom rear panel, clutch adjusting rod and bellcrank for '64 V-8. Send all information to Russell Herman, 318 N. 19th Street, Bismark, N.D. 58501 (701) 223-5221 #1352



A vinyl roof covering is available. The Deluxe side trim is a black vinyl protective strip along the lower body contour line. The Ghia and "SP" option trim widens after the rear wheel opening to match the rear bumper corners. All models have black grill bars, rocker panels, and mirrors. The Ghia and "SP" option have blacked upper door frames and the panel between the tail lamps. Deluxe models have bright moldings. Styled steel wheels with bright hubs are standard with an alloy styled wheel optioned, standard on some trim levels.

The V-8 is gone. A 2.3 Liter four cylinder is standard. Three engine options exist. 11 are six cylinders: a low compression 3.0 Liter, a high compression 3.6 Liter, and the "SP" 3.6 Liter. Two four speed manual and one three speed manual transmissions are available. A three speed automatic is also available.

Aside from the already mentioned options were a choice of vinyl or cloth and vinyl trim. A number of more updated small items including power antena for the front or rear are also optioned.

The Falcon as we know it has proven itself a marketable car twenty four model years later. The simple clean lines remain timeless today. Could the 1960 Valiant, Corvair, or even Comet look so contemporary and modern? The sight of the 1983 Falcon can raise curiosity to the Falcon collector. Some of those thoughts may be about parts for your older Falcon or how many heads would turn if you could drive into next years FCA national meet with one. I wonder how many heads would turn?

Gene Makrancy
The Ranchero Club



TECHNICAL TIPS

In reference to your question in the January newsletter regarding the correct value cover and air cleaner colors for the early (in this case, Series One) Falcons, perhaps I can be of help.

I've found that for the early 144 c.i. "Economy Six," which means a non-metallic medium dark blue color on both the valve cover and the air cleaner, KRYLON'S FORD BLUE, #1909, engine color is the stuff to use. It's the closest to an absolute dead-on match to the original factory color as one can get, I believe; I've compared the match several times.

In the case of the 170 c.i. "Special Six," KRYLON'S FORD RED, #2106, is fantastic. It embodies just the right amount of red-orange red and the match with the original is virtually identical. Both colors have superb depth and body if applied correctly. Both polish well to a high glass and neither will fade, bubble or peel with regular engine heat. They dry fast and hard, too. Any good automotive outlet should stock these colors and others; perhaps also, K-Mart, etc. would have them.

Another tip: Falcons produced before mid '63 come equipped with what is called the "mustard top" coil. The Ford part number is FAC-12029-A and was rubber-stamped, in pale silver point, with all the information concerning said coil on the side. The coils used prior to 1962 used the Ford script within the oval emblem, situated between the lines of info, and all of the print was contained within a rectangular border. Beginning with 1982 models and later, the capitalized and printed AUTOLITE design was used, though some script/oval were contained in used. In fact, a combo of both the autolite and Ford script emblems were sometimes used. (The variances seem to depend on the place of manufacture.) The combination of the two logos are somewhat hard to find, though, and seem to be found on the '64-'65 era engines more commonly.

Anyhow, back to the "mustard tops": The name "mustard top" results because of the coils dried mustard colored bake-lite top (where the coil wire slips in). Not until mid-1963 were the black bake-lite topped coils introduced, though the mustard top coils were used with them until, apparently the stock of the older (and older appearing) "mustard top" coils was depleted, somewhere around '64 or '65, it seems.

Thanks, however, to the general longevity of FOMOCO products, a good, serviceable, restorable "mustard top" can still be found, usually in salvage yards in vintage Falcons, Fairlanes and big Fords, too, of even earlier vintage. Don't forget to check out the old Comets, too.

Correct "Ford Script" information decals can be found through Osborne Reproductions. After the coil's body has been cleaned, primed and repainted a nice medium black, one of these decals can be slid onto the side which is exposed to view.

Hope this information is of some help to those who prefer them authentic. Excellent January Newsletter. Keep up on the good job.

Best Regards,
Ken Hustvet, #200

MEET REPORT:

THE FOUNDER'S CHAPTER OF THE FCA

The Founder's Chapter of the Falcon Club of America held a car meet and potluck supper at the home of Jim and Peggy West in North Little Rock, Arkansas on Saturday, February 11, 1984.

There were several members and families present. President, Linda Acrey held the business meeting and plans for a Spring outing to Hot Springs, Arkansas were made. Tex and Jean Stanley will host the meet at their lake house on Lake Hamilton. The meet will be held on May 19, 1984 from 11:00 a.m. till, with a potluck lunch to be held at 1:00 that day. The club will dine out that evening. Please plan to attend our Spring outing.

Linda Acrey,
President, Founder's Chapter

THE LONE STAR CHAPTER OF THE FCA

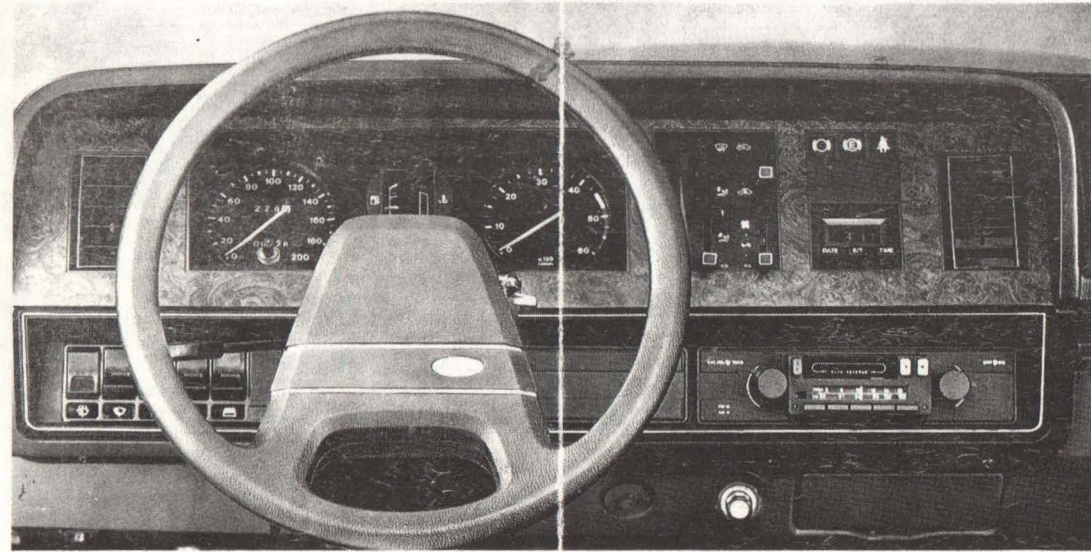
The Lone Star Chapter is Happy to report that we have a total of 34 members, as of our last meeting on 1/29/84. The new officers were elected and are as follows:

President : Mr. Larry Wood, 500 Porter, Crowley, Texas 76036.
Vice Pres.: Mr. Barby Brunken, 3236 Amherst, Dallas, Texas 75225
Secretary : Mrs. Elda Mitchell, 6347 Sudbury Dr., Dallas, TX 75214
Treasurer : Mrs. Susan Brunken, 3236 Amherst, Dallas, TX 75225
Correspondence Secretary: Mrs. JayJay Hahn, 214 Ditto Ave.,
Arlington, Texas 76010

We voted to meet every other month, on the third Sunday. All members and their families are looking forward to the summer months, when they will have access to Picnic Grounds. Also, Mr. Bobby Maughan (Member) urges all Falcon Members that have show cars to participate in the "Will Rogers Colosseum Car Show" in early March. For details call Bobby (817) 429-8743, he will be happy to advise and answer any questions.

Lone Star Chapter
Correspondence Secretary,
JayJay Hahn

Falcon comes in three body styles. The first is a four door sedan, then a Rural (station wagon), and a Ranchero pick up car. The Ranchero's configuration is unusual in that it uses a four door's front door. Ranchero's rear quarter extensions house 66-77 Bronco style tail lights and a Bronco style tailgate.



The use of sail-wing dual mirrors have demanded elimination of the front door vent windows. The 62-63 Falcon Futura Sports Sedan roof line now has functional louvers in the rear "C" pillars. The doors are 60-63 style but new style door handles were added in the last few years. The deck lid remains unchanged but the restyled quarter panels and lights give a complete new look to the rear of the Falcon.

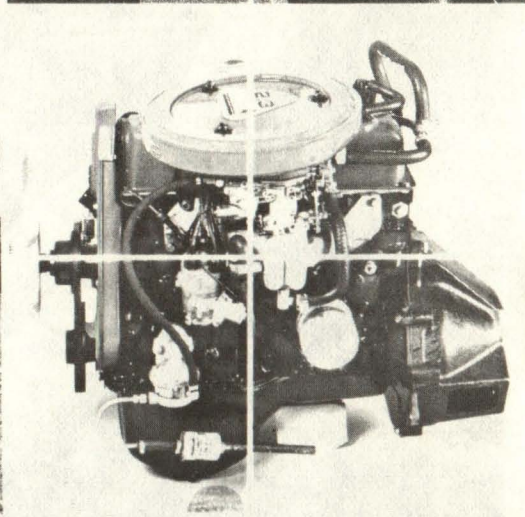
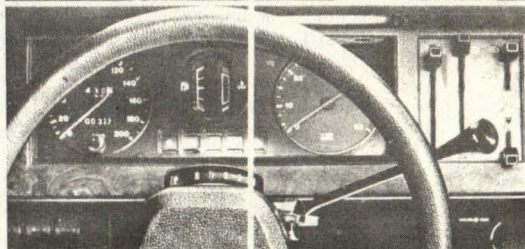
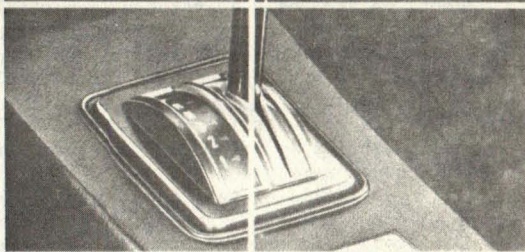
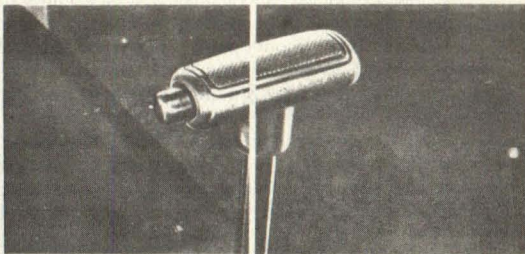
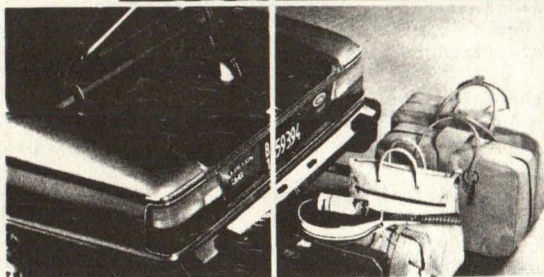
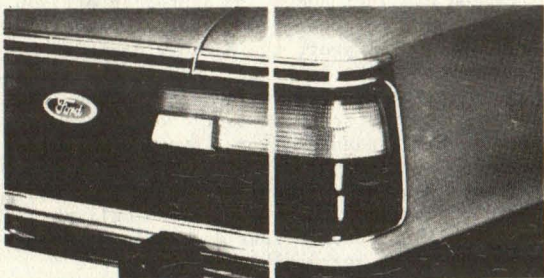
Wagon and Sedan tail lamps wrap around the corners. The upper lens is amber and are for directional use. In their lower inner corner is a clear reversing lens. The bottom half is red and used for running lights and stop lights. Both rear and front bumpers are narrow with black bumper guards and corner extensions. Front and rear splash pans are used.

The hood's scoop design now runs down over the front hood edge as stylist did with the 1967 Thunderbird. A horizontal bar grill has the corporate Ford oval centered on it. Large rectangular single headlamps are set slightly deeper from the grill. Amber driving and turn signals wrap around into the front fender corners.

The instrument panel appears very modern. In-dash air conditioning is available. A tachometer is standard and so is a trip odometer. An analog clock positions where the optional day/date-elapse time clock does. Even an AM-FM radio with cassette player is optional. The steering column has the ignition inter lock system.

Interior trim is totally unfamiliar to the Falcon fan. The seats contour to the body. Tall, properly angled headrest are included. Reclining bucket seats are available with an optional console. Floor shift or column shift are optional. The shoulder harnesses connect to the "B" pillar.

The sedan comes in five trim levels: Taxi option, Standard, Deluxe, Chia, and "SP" option. The Rural and Ranchero come only in Standard and Deluxe.



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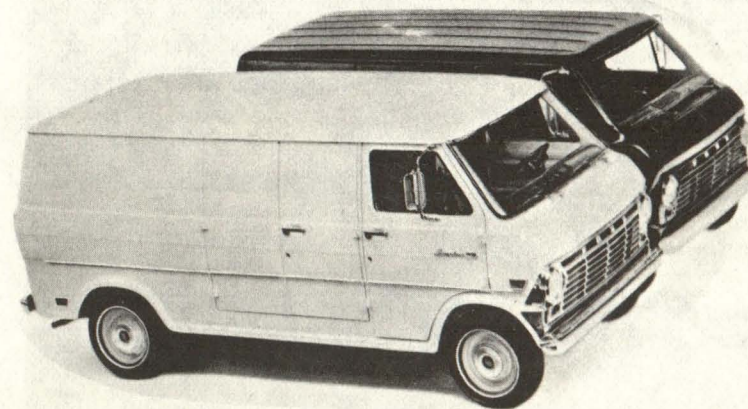
April 21, 1984 - Founder's Chapter having joint meet with other car clubs at W&W Ford Sales in Searcy, Arkansas. For more information call 982-1029.

May 19, 1984 - Founder's Chapter 1ST ANNUAL SPRING MEET. This meet will be at Hot Springs, Arkansas. For more information on this meet call 676-3384, 641-7837 or 982-1029.

August 9-11 1984 - FALCON CLUB OF AMERICA *5TH ANNUAL NATIONAL MEET* St. Louis, MO. For information call Tom O'Dell 1-618-259-3052 (days and weekends)



From down in San Antonio, Don Dickman sends this photo of his '65 SDL.



Easy to forget that the early Ford Vans were Falcons too. This original post card comes from Obsolete Ford Parts of Nashville, GA

INTRODUCIENDO EL MARVILLOSO FALCON.



October 8, 1959 was the day the Ford Falcon was introduced. By September of 1960, the Falcon XK debuted in Australia. Even before then, Falcon had spawned an offspring, the Canadian Frontenac. By the middle of the 1960 model year, the Mercury division had the Comet. A confusing note is that some 1960 Edsel parts books included Comet in them.

The original Falcon had a variety of body styles by 1963: a four door sedan, two door sedan, a four door sports sedan, a two door sports sedan, a four door station wagon, two door station wagon, Ranchero pick up car, sedan delivery, two door hardtop, and a convertible. The Australian Falcon ran the original body styling through 1965. Body styles offered by Ford of Australia were: a four door sedan, a four door sports sedan (Falcon XL), a four door station wagon, a utility pick up, a sedan delivery, and a two door hardtop. The utility and sedan delivery used a four door sedan front door, unlike the U.S. version. Reportedly seven Falcon retractable hardtops were produced before a fire destroyed the toolings.

The Falcon evolved to a new form in North America and Australia. By mid 1970 the Falcon form disappeared with the name plate fixed to a stripped Fairlane body as a 1970½ model.

Ford of Australia totally restyled the Falcon in 1972 and again in 1979. The Falcon series is still very successful in Australian Ford production today. Falcon offsprings were produced in North America through the 1980 model year in a variety of vehicles including the Lincoln Versailles.

Few of us are aware of the fact that the original Falcon as we know it is still produced. Ford of Argentina produces the 1983 Falcon. The market segment has changed. Falcon is not the lowest priced model but the whole major line up. The top of the line Ford product is the Fairlane LTD (based on the 68-69 Fairlane) and marketed like the Lincoln is here.

